

By now everyone should know about the flood in Pittsburgh on Sept 17. I am the president of SHHH (Self Help of Hard of Hearing) for the Pittsburgh area. I was at work when I saw all the commotions going on. I just heard that Millvale was flooded but I was not sure if it was just a flood or major. I got home around 5 pm from the trolley and my roommate told me that Pittsburgh is flooded everywhere. Because I did not watch news till 5 pm, the captions were on. However, I heard from my friends and SHHH members that the captions were not on until 5 pm which is a dangerous hazard for the hard of hearing and deaf community. We need to be aware of everything going on and do not assume that we rely on the hearing to tell us at the door or phone or email as they all can be not working. I feel that it is very important that we have captions on live new segments which is not often showed. If they feel that it is important for the public to understand, make sure the public includes deaf and hard of hearing so we are aware too. Thank for listening.